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SUBJECT: MOROCCAN PRESS REACTION TO PRESIDENT NIXON'S  
REMARKS ON MIDDLE EAST IN SEPTEMBER 5 NEWS CONFERENCE

EDITORIAL REACTION TO PRESIDENT'S REMARKS RE ARAB-ISRAELI  
PROBLEM AND OIL IN SEPTEMBER 5 PRESS CONFERENCE HAS BEEN  
SLOW TO APPEAR IN MOROCCAN PRESS, WHICH SEEMS MORE INTERESTED  
IN NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE AT MOMENT, BUT PLAY GIVEN TO  
STORY INDICATES VISCERAL MISUNDERSTANDING OF IMPORTANCE  
OF PRESIDENT'S REMARKS. ISTIQLALI "AL ALAM" OF SEPTEMBER  
7 CARRIED SUMMARY OF REMARKS ON FRONT PAGE, PREFACED BY  
THINLY DISGUISED EDITORIAL COMMENT. PAPER SAID THAT  
PRESIDENT DID NOT THREATEN USE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST  
OIL-PRODUCING STATES "AS OTHER US OFFICIALS HAVE DONE,"  
BUT CONTENTED HIMSELF WITH MAKING ECONOMIC THREAT.  
PAPER WENT ON TO SAY THAT "HIGHEST PRIORITY" PRESIDENT  
HAD ORDERED SECRETARY KISSINGER TO PUT ON MIDDLE EAST  
WAS OMINOUS DEVELOPMENT FOR ARABS, SINCE IT WOULD MEAN  
INCREASED PRESSURE TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS "REJECTED BY  
ARAB SIDE." UMT SUPPORTED MAGHREB INFORMATIONS, REFERRING  
TO PRESIDENT'S WARNING TO ARAB COUNTRIES THAT THEY SHOULD  
LOOK TO LOSS OF WORLD MARKETS, SAID PRESIDENT SHOULD BEAR  
IN MIND OLD ADAGE, "A MAN WHO SLEEPS ON THE GROUND DOESN'T  
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WORRY ABOUT FALLING OUT OF BED," I.E., ARABS HAVE NOTHING

TO LOSE BUT THEIR MARKETS, WHICH NOT THAT IMPORTANT  
TO MOROCCANS.  
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